GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2570
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FOOD FOR WORK PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has agreed to gear up its machinery toimplement the food-for-work programme by releasing Rs. 20 lakh for each taluk;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government has released Rs. 171 crore to the drought relief works;

(c) if so, the total amount of aid received by the Karnataka Government so far;

(d) the number of persons benefited by food-for-work programme in the State;

(e) whether the Union Government have been regularly releasing the foodgrains to the State for this purpose; and

(f) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SU MAHARIA)

(a): The Food for Work Programme has been discontinued from 1.4.2002.

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c): A sum of Rs. 189.18 crore has been released to the State Government so far for drought relief.

(d): During the year 2001-02, two crore mandays of employment were generated under the Food for Work Programme.

(e): Foodgrains for drought relief are released as and when such assistance is requested by the State Governments.

(f): A quantity of 3.65 lakh tonnes of foodgrains has been allocated to the State Government under the Special Component of Sampoorna Gramin Rojgar Yojana.